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Art Unit 1651

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Would the Office kindly amend Claim 2 as follows:

1.(cancelled)

2.(currently amended) A method of controlling soilborne pathogens in a soil having an organic carbon content less than 1.7% by weight, comprising the step of generating ammonia in said soil, said step of generating ammonia comprising adding a nitrogen containing material and a pH raising agent to said soil to raise soil pH above 8.5 to thereby generate said ammonia to control said soilborne pathogens.

3.(cancelled)

4.(cancelled)

5.(previously presented) The method of Claim 2 wherein said pH raising agent is selected from the group consisting of calcium hydroxide, calcium oxide, sodium hydroxide, and potassium hydroxide.